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In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 to inform the Patent and Trademark Office of all references coming to the attention of each individual associated with the filing or prosecution of the subject application, which are or may be material to the patentability of a claim of the subject application, Attorneys for Applicants hereby direct the Examiner's attention to the references AA-BX listed on the attached form PTO 1449. Copies of references AA-BX were submitted by Applicants or cited by the Examiner in connection with U. S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/320,713, filed May 27, 1999, to which the instant application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), the Examiner is directed to the above-listed files for copies of reference(s) AA-BX.

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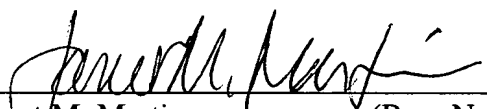
concerning the PTO duty to consider and use any such information. It is respectfully requested that the information be considered during the prosecution of this application.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review the listed references and that the references be made of record in the file history of the application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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